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EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING FILMS

1. Attached hereto is a list of War Department films available to all units for use in education on basic and technical medical subjects and for the training of Medical Department personnel.
2. It is desired that full utilization be made of these excellent films.
3. All War Department films are distributed by the Signal Corps through film libraries located in each USASOS Base Command. These libraries serve all units of all U.S. Army forces in the base area. Advance showings may be arranged by direct communication with the officer in charge of this library. Projectors and other necessary equipment can be made available in most bases.
4. All surgeons and medical unit commanders are urged to make full use of these and all other appropriate training films available. A report on the extent of the use of such films should be included in the Quarterly Report for History of Medical Activities required by AR 40-1005, implemented by directives issued in this theater of operations.

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Incl: as indicated.

DISTRIBUTION:

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By Courier to Command,
Section and Base Hq.
By mail to all SWPA
Surgeons and commanders
of medical units.

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WAR DEPARTMENT TRAINING
FILMS ON MEDICAL SERVICE

Films listed below may be booked through the nearest Signal Corps Base Film Library. In most bases previews may be arranged. Bookings should be made as far in advance of showing as is practical.

TRAINING FILM

TITLE AND DESCRIPTION

8-155	<u>PERSONAL HYGIENE</u> (Running time: 36 min): How to perform first military duty, i.e. keep in good physical condition, by personal and barracks cleanliness, march hygiene.
8-953	<u>MALARIA</u> - Cause and Control (Running time: 25 min): Shows why malaria has become a prime military problem; tells the life story of the mosquito, and how its threat can be minimized.
8-953-A	<u>THE MOSQUITO</u> (The Winged Scourge), also listed as Misc. 157 (Running time: 10 min): A Walt Disney cartoon starring the Seven Dwarfs in the role of avengers and destroyers of the anophelone mosquito. Excellent close-ups of the winged enemy.
8-999	<u>THE FLY</u> (Running time: 16 min): Life history of the fly, its breeding and disease-bearing habits, how to eliminate its menace.
8-1000	<u>THE LOUSE</u> (Running time: 20 min): Presents three types of lice: body, head and crab; gives types of diseases transmitted by each; describes methods of decontamination.
8-1174	<u>PURIFICATION OF WATER</u> (Running time: 19 min): Dangers of drinking polluted water are stressed, all methods of purification, by group or individual, are demonstrated.
8-1179	<u>MILITARY SANITATION</u> - Disposal of Human Waste (Running time: 18 min): The importance of strict sanitation. All types of latrines are exhibited, suggestions made for improvisation in the field.

WD Training Films on Medical Service, Cont'd:

TRAINING FILM

TITLE AND DESCRIPTION

- 8-1180 FIRST AID FOR CHEMICAL CASUALTIES (Running time: 24 min): Complete details of first aid procedures in treating victims of following gases: tear, phosgene, vesicant, white phosphorus, irritant smoke.
- 8-1238 SEX HYGIENE (Running time: 32 min): Causes, effects and prevention of venereal diseases; actual diseased cases shown; demonstration of importance and technique of prophylaxis.
- 8-1288 LOUSE-BORNE DISEASES (Running time: 19 min): Micro-photography shows life cycle of the louse; record as a killer cited; measures of control described.
- 8-1343 CARE OF THE SICK AND INJURED, Part 1, Morning Care (Running time: 8 min): Portrays the daily morning routine of a medical corpsman; includes techniques to improve morale of patients as well as physical wellbeing.
- 8-1344 CARE OF THE SICK AND INJURED, Part 2, Evening Care (Running time: 9 min): Portrays daily evening routine in a military hospital ward, what the regular duties of the corpsman at that time are, the changing of the shifts, night vigilance.
- 8-1345 CARE OF THE SICK AND INJURED, Part 3, Operative Care (Running time: 9 min): Preparation of room to receive patient coming from surgery, care of the patient through the anesthetic stages until he becomes fully conscious.
- 8-1346 CARE OF THE SICK AND INJURED, Part 4, Temp., Pulse and Resp. (Running time: 15 min): Demonstration of the techniques of ascertaining temperature, pulse and respiration, proper recording of same.
- 8-1378 CLINICAL MALARIA - Navy Film (Running time: 26 min): Covers the clinical aspects of malaria. Primarily for Medical Corps Officers.
- 8-1382 CARE OF THE SICK AND INJURED - "Surgical Dressings": instruction for onlisted technicians in their duties of care for patients and, particularly, in the changing of surgical dressings.

WD Training Films on Medical Service, Cont'd:

TRAINING FILM

TITLE AND DESCRIPTION

8-1383	<u>CARE OF THE SICK AND INJURED</u> - "Enemas"; How enemas are administered.
8-1388	<u>THE HEART AND CIRCULATION</u> : Anatomy and function of the heart, its relation to the rest of the body and health.
8-1389	<u>MECHANISM OF BREATHING</u> , Respiratory system: How it works.
8-1390	<u>DIGESTION OF FOODS</u> - Digestive system: its functions and malfunctions.
8-1391	<u>CONTROL OF BODY TEMPERATURES</u> : Cause of change in body temperatures, how these can be regulated.
8-1392	<u>THE WORK OF THE KIDNEYS</u> : Fundamental information about the structure and function of the kidneys.
8-1393	<u>THE NERVOUS SYSTEM</u> : Its structure, effects on other parts of the body.
8-1394	<u>THE EYES AND THEIR CARE</u> : Structure of the eye, how to avoid impairment of its efficiency.
8-1395	<u>ENDOCRINE GLANDS</u> : Influence of endocrine glands on health and personality.
8-1396	<u>BODY DEFENSES AGAINST DISEASE</u> : What the body does to defend itself from disease.
8-1402	<u>INTRODUCTION TO COMBAT FATIGUE</u> - Navy Film: Adopted for use by Army; deals with fear.
8-2047	<u>FIRST AID FOR BATTLE INJURIES</u> (Running time: 27 min): First aid fundamentals for soldier going into combat.
8-2049	<u>FIRST AID FOR NON-BATTLE INJURIES</u> (Running time: 29 min): Interesting series of sketches showing cause, effect and prescribed method of treatment for various types of non-battle injuries such as occur in every day military life.
8-2057	<u>PERSONAL HEALTH IN THE JUNGLE</u> : Depicts precautions to be taken to protect the soldier from the teeming dangers of the jungle.

VD Training Films on Medical Service, Cont'd:

TRAINING FILM

TITLE AND DESCRIPTION

- 8-2060 PICK-UP (Running time: 28 min): Danger of casual sex relations dramatically presented by means of a story of a soldier who picked-up a girl in a railway station, contracts VD from her. Excellent entertainment; forceful argument.
- 8-2070 RECONDITIONING CONVALESCENTS FOR RETURN TO DUTY: Details techniques of physical-therapy, rehabilitation exercises to fit patients for return to duty.
- 8-2080 PLASTER CASTS: Excellent teaching film for enlisted technicians and of interest to medical officers and nurses. Shows all steps from preparation of the plaster to the application of the most difficult and complicated cast.
- 8-2083 SWINGING INTO STEP (Running time: 28 min): Rehabilitation film for men who have lost limbs. Shows by example the richness of living still possible to them. Tells specific cases of mutilated men who have become happily adjusted.
- 8-2090 WARD CARE OF PSYCHOTIC PATIENTS: Tips to corpsmen on how to handle psychotics.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1-3342 THREE CADETS (Running time: 45-55 min): Dramatically depicts experiences of three men who expose themselves to VD. One of the best films of its type.
- Misc 942 FIGHT SYPHILLIS (Running time: 19 min): An eloquent plea for prevention of syphilis. Shows the spirochete; underscores how disease spreads and is inherited.
- Misc 943 FOR YOUR INFORMATION (Running time: 19 min): A 16mm adaptation of a Kodachrome film, dealing with the dangers of venereal disease for women, its prevention.
- Misc 944 REHABILITATION OF DISABLED SOLDIERS "Meet McGonegal" (Running time: 12 min): Story of a man who has lost his limbs and who has been fitted with mechanical devices so that he can perform daily tasks, work as a lathe operator.

WD Training Films on Medical Service. Cont'd

TRAINING FILM

TITLE AND DESCRIPTION

Misc 947

AMPUTATION OF LOWER EXTREMITY Color Print (Running time: 44 min): This film suitable only for medical personnel. Shows operative and post-operative procedure. 16mm color film.

Misc 1003

KNOW FOR SURE (Running time: 23 min): Acted by top Hollywood stars, this tells a story illustrating the danger of syphilis in parents. Shows what should be done before having children, if either parent has syphilis.

FILM BULLETINS

FB 132

EVACUATION OF THE WOUNDED: Absorbing combat documentation, showing echelons of medical services in Italy and North Africa; from injury to return to U.S. Excellent morale film for combat troops.

FB 146

MEDICAL SERVICE IN INVASION OF NORMANDY: Exciting documentation of part played by the Medical Corps in first four days of the invasion of the European continent.

FB 147

MEDICAL SERVICE IN THE JUNGLE: Deals with medical problems peculiar to life in the jungle. Excellent illustrative material from combat photography under jungle conditions.

